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On the 19th, the citizens called their own public meeting. They did invite the State Police (LSP), The Parish, LDNR, LDEQ, etc. EPA was not mentioned and did not receive an invitation. The meeting was planned for the next evening. The agencies involved could not attend and did not attend. The LSP and Parish had been holding routine public meetings. At the last meeting, which coincided with the start of the drilling of the observation well, LSP said that unless something happened, the next public meeting would be held when the results of the observation well were known. LSP maintains a mobile command post in the town, not at the Texas Brine facility and that is available for citizens to come and ask questions. Since the last public meeting, very little new information was generated.

http://theadvocate.com/home/3929355-125/residents-hope-for-answers

http://theadvocate.com/home/3945742-125/another-edge-of-bayou-corne

The outcry for EPA to take over is a reflection of the Bucket Brigade's call for EPA to take over all of LDEQ. Bucket Brigade has had representatives involved.

LDEQ plays a very small part in the operations at Bayou Corne. LSP is in charge, while the Parish is identifying the areas of concern. LDNR is the oversight agency of Texas Brine and has been coordinating several other agencies and entities, such as USGS, LSU, U of Memphis, and even several parts of EPA. LDEQ does the air monitoring during business hours around the town, analyzes the samples collected from the gas bubbles, and posts the results of the daily air monitoring on their public website.